

BIG LUMBER SUIT

Involving Over \$28,000,000 in Texas Timber, is Finally Settled.

KIRBY LUMBER CO. WIN OUT

Lumber Company Had Contracted For Eight Billion Feet of Yellow Pine Form Huston Oil Co.—Latter Could Not Make Good.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 22.—Settlement was effected yesterday between the Kirby Lumber Company, the Houston Oil Company and the Maryland Trust Company, parties to a litigation in the United States court for the Southern district of Texas in which receivers were appointed on February 1, 1904, for both corporations first named.

The litigation arose out of a lumber contract entered into in 1901 between the Houston Oil Company and the Kirby Lumber Company in which the former sold and the latter bought eight billion feet of yellow pine lumber in Texas and Louisiana. The consideration, \$28,000,000, to be paid in 40 semi-annual installments ranging from \$625,000 to \$1,250,000. The lumber company paid the first four installments. The Houston Oil Company did not possess and could not acquire as much as the stipulated quantity of eight billion feet. The lumber company therefore refused to make further payments unless the semi-annual installments were reduced in proportion to the amount of timber furnished by the oil company. Suit followed with receivership.

On January 6 all the parties concerned met in New York to take testimony in the case. Negotiations for a compromise settlement were taken up and it is now announced that the negotiations have culminated in a definite agreement, which settles all the points of difference. The contention of the Kirby Lumber Company is recognized and the lumber is awarded to that company in payments semi-annually of five-eighths of the amounts specified in the original contract.

The Kirby Lumber Company is capitalized at \$10,000,000 and owns 14 mills and many miles of tram roads in Texas.

Absentminded Prize.

"I've met the most absentminded man at last," said the man who is always looking for freaks. "I thought I'd found him in the college professor who when he went upstairs to dress for dinner would absentmindedly go to bed instead. But that fellow was displaced by a young writer who would put his foot up in a chair to tie his shoe and then, forgetting what he did it for, would put the other foot up in the chair and stand up in it. Then I met a woman who confessed to looking absentmindedly in the back of her hairbrush instead of her hand mirror when she wanted to see the back of her head, and I thought she had gone the writer one better. But I've met the king of the absentminded world now. He is a young minister, and every once in awhile he waits patiently half an hour for a car in a street on which no cars run. He has confessed it, but every once in so often he does the trick right over again."

Irish Wit.

Pat O'Hooligan gave a dinner to some of his friends. His wife had prepared one chicken, which Pat proceeded to carve to serve his guests. Turning to the lady seated nearest him, he asked very politely:

"What part will yez hev, Missis Murphy?"

"O'll take the leg, if yez plaze, soir," she said.

Pat next turned to a little Murphy.

"And what part iv the bird will yez hev, young man?"

"O'll take a leg, if it plaze ye, soir," replied the little Murphy.

Then Pat addressed Mr. Murphy.

"What's yer choice iv the bird? Will ye hev the white meat?"

"O'll take another leg, soir, an' much obliged fer the question," said Mr. Murphy, who always followed his wife's example.

"Begorra," exclaimed Pat, "phwat do yez think I'm carvin'—a spider?"—Washington Post

Special Announcement Regarding the National Pure Food and Drug Law

We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National Pure Food and Drug law as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. T. F. Lynch, Owl Drug Store.

THE DAIRY BARN.

Six Ways in Which it May be Vastly Improved.

There are six ways in which the average dairy barn can be vastly improved.

In the first place, most of the stable need better ventilation and light. They need more and better kept window surfaces and facilities for changing the air without exposing the cows to drafts.

In the second place, there should be a ceiling between the floor of the mow and the cows. In barns where hay is stored over the cows it is dangerous to leave the defective floor without some sort of ceiling. The chance of fire is much greater, and a sanitary condition of the stable is almost impossible if the dust and hay are allowed to fall through upon the cows.

Third.—The stables should have good floors. Cracks in the floor are breeding places for bacteria, and they catch and hold an accumulation of filth that fills the stables with bad odors.

Tying the Cows.

Fourth.—Tying the cows can be greatly improved upon. The old fashioned rigid stanchion is neither comfortable nor convenient. The cows should have a small degree of freedom at least. This can be provided by the newer makes of stanchions or by a chain or halter. The great objection to the last two is the difficulty of keeping the cow clean, and right here is the fifth way in which the stable can be improved. Fix the gutters so that they will keep the cow clean and at the same time save all the manure. I have been in barns where the platform was so short that when the cow would lie down she could not keep out of the gutter. I have been in other stables where the gutter was simply a couple of 2 by 4's placed upon the stable floor. Either practice is bad. The best plan is to fix the floor in such a way that it will accommodate the cows and give them ample room for lying down comfortably. Have the gutter about four inches deep and built water tight. This saves all the liquid manure, keeps the cows clean and makes it much easier to care for the stables and the stock.

Handling the Manure.

The sixth point which comes to my mind at this time is an improved method of handling the manure. Throwing it out of the window is insanitary and often inconvenient. The manure piles up against the barn, injuring the paint and at the same time losing much of its value as a fertilizer. The other plan of shoveling it into wheelbarrows and wheeling it out and dumping it in the yard is little better. Use some kind of a carrier, an overhead one preferred, and unload the manure right into the spreader. The carrier is always out of the way, there are no unsightly planks and trestles which are necessary if you use a wheelbarrow, the manure pile is avoided, and all the manure is saved.

BURIED IN CEMENT.

The Story of an Arab Boy Who Denounced Mohammedanism.

According to history, there was born about the year 1530 an Arab boy named Geronimo. He was captured in infancy by the Spanish garrison at Oran, and when about eight years old he escaped from his captors and went back to his family, living as a Mohammedan until the age of twenty-five. He then voluntarily returned to Oran and resumed the Christian life which he had adopted previously when in the hands of the Spanish authorities. A few years later he went on a coasting raid with a party of Spaniards, but the raiders were themselves captured by a Moorish corsair and brought to Algiers. Here the attempt was made to convert him to Mohammedanism, but he persistently refused to embrace that faith, so that he was tried and condemned to die. His hands were tied behind his back, and he was cast alive, face downward, into a block of concrete then being prepared for the Fort des Vingt Quatre Heures, then building. Careful note was taken of the spot by Haldé, a Spanish Benedictine missionary to Algiers, who prayed the time might come when the Lord would pave the way for his exhumation and Christian burial. In 1853 the French found it necessary to destroy the fort, and the data left by Haldé were found to be correct, for the designated block of concrete on being cut open disclosed the bones of Geronimo and the cavity left by his body. The bones were removed Dec. 27, 1853, and given Christian burial, and they now rest in a massive stone sarcophagus in the cathedral. A plaster cast was made of the cavity and afterward photographed.—Cement Age.

And Mayor Schmitz will be with us soon again. Inasmuch as grafting is declared to be no crime in California, many a man in Sing Sing will regret that he did not go west when a boy.

No medicine has ever done more towards warding off grip and pneumonia and relieving the distressing grip cough, than Kemp's Balsam, the best cough cure.

Mr. Cortelyou declares he has not even thought of resigning. Admiral Brownson will have to flock by himself for a while.

BEAUTY HINTS.

Valuable Suggestions For the Ladies

To reduce your flesh increase your troubles. To develop a bust get on the wrong side of the market.

Nails which do not yield readily to the manicure may be driven in with a hammer.

Brilliance may be imparted to the complexion by powdering with diamond dust.

To remove freckles pry them gently out with a nut pick. Should this fail try blasting.

The drooping lash, so much affected by some, may be encouraged by sitting up late at night.

Falling hair may be avoided by stepping nimbly aside whenever you see it coming your way.

Hair on the lips may sometimes be avoided by requiring the young man to shave before calling.

When crow's feet will not yield to massage, fill them suddenly with cement and smooth quickly with a trowel.—Bohemian Magazine.

"Ginger" of West Point.

The man who graduated at the foot of the class that year (1890) had been six years at the Point and had just squeezed through at last—Harold S. Borland, commonly known as Ginger on account of his hair being the exact color of ground ginger. Borland had distinguished himself while reciting to Captain Benton in ordnance by a remarkable answer to the question, "Mr. Borland, how many pieces will a twelve inch shell burst into?" the average number having been determined well by experiment. Ginger threw his eyes, unexpressive, but very blue, on the floor and deliberated awhile. Then slowly lifting them to a point near the ceiling over Captain Benton's head, still deeply reflecting, he finally responded, "Not less than two."—General Morris Schaff in Atlantic.

Largest Crab.

In the American Museum of Natural History in New York is a wonder of marine life. It is a gigantic Japanese crab, measuring twelve feet across, making it the largest in the world. The specimen is a type of the spider crab, which inhabits the waters of the group of islands forming the empire of Japan. The body portion of the crab is the size of a half bushel measure, while its great arms could easily encircle the figure of a man. Its legs resemble poles and are extremely elastic, and if strung into one line they would reach to the top of a four story apartment building.—New York Herald.



This woman says that sick women should not fail to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound as she did.

Mrs. A. Gregory, of 2355 Lawrence St., Denver, Col., writes to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I was practically an invalid for six years, on account of female troubles. I underwent an operation by the doctor's advice, but in a few months I was worse than before. A friend advised Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it restored me to perfect health, such as I have not enjoyed in many years. Any woman suffering as I did with backache, bearing-down pains, and periodic pains, should not fail to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

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"Having been troubled for some time with a pain in my left shoulder, I decided to give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial, with the result that I got prompt relief." For sale by Frank Hart and leading druggists.

In connection with the prohibition movement, it is important to note that Mrs. Carrie Nation has voluntarily announced she will herself let rum alone.

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